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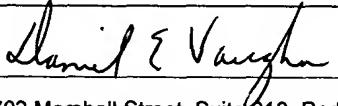
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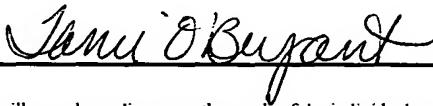
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Applicant : Shapiro, *et al.*  
Application No. : 10/660,196  
Filed : September 11, 2003  
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Title : System and Method for Managing Multicast Group Membership  
  
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TO EXCLUSION OF INVENTOR UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.71  
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**JOINT TO CORPORATE  
ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, the undersigned,

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hereinafter termed "Inventors", have invented certain new and useful improvements in

**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING MULTICAST GROUP MEMBERSHIP**

and have executed a declaration or oath of inventorship for an application for a United States patent disclosing and identifying the invention on:

(1) the 8th day of September, 2003; and (2) the 8th day of September, 2003.

Said application:  being filed herewith; OR  
 having Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

WHEREAS, Sun Microsystems, Inc. a corporation of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 4150 Network Circle, Santa Clara, CA 95054, (hereinafter termed "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and the invention disclosed therein, and in and to all embodiments of the invention, heretofore conceived, made or discovered jointly or severally by said Inventors (all collectively hereinafter termed "said invention"), and in and to any and all patents, inventor's certificates and other forms of protection (hereinafter termed "patents") thereon granted in the United States and foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of good and valuable consideration acknowledged by said Inventors to have been received in full from said Assignee:

1. Said Inventors do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto said Assignee the entire right, title and interest (a) in and to said application and said invention; (b) in and to all rights to apply for foreign patents on said invention pursuant to the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or otherwise; (c) in and to any and all applications filed and any and all patents granted on said invention in the United States or any foreign country, including each and every application filed and each and every patent granted on any application which is a divisional, substitution, continuation, or continuation-in-part of any of said applications; and (d) in and to each and every reissue or extensions of any of said patents.

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4. Said Inventors hereby jointly and severally warrant and represent that they have not entered and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding in conflict herewith.

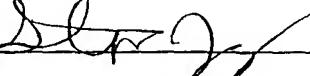
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said Inventors have executed and delivered this instrument to said Assignee as of the dates written below.

Date: Sept 8, 2003

Signature: 

Name: Jeremy N. Shapiro

Date: Sept 8, 2003

Signature: 

Name: Stephen A. Jay